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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Submitted herewith is the following document relating to the above-identified patent application:

(1) Amendment and Response to Final Office Action.

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In response to the final Office Action dated March 4, 2005, Applicants amend the present application as follows: